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Applicant: Masaki TAKABAYASHI et al.

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For: Cover and Decorative Cover for a Clip and Clip Set and a Nail
Cover in Combination With a Plastic Clip

TRANSMITTAL OF PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir: TRANSMITTED HEREWITH IS

A RESPONSE, AN AMENDMENT, AN AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL,

IN THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR §1.9(f) is established
by a verified statement under 37 CFR §1.27 previously submitted.

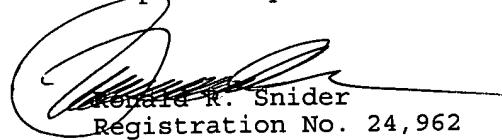
submitted herewith.

No additional fee is required, as shown below.

CLAIMS PENDING AFTER AMENDMENT		CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID		NEW CLAIMS EXTRA	ADDITIONAL FEES			
					SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
TOTAL	12	MINUS	20	= 0	x\$9=	0.00	x\$18=	0.00
INDEP	8	MINUS	3	= 0	x43=	0.00	x\$86=	0.00
NEW MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS				0	x\$145=	0.00	x\$290=	0.00
AND CLAIMS DEPENDENT THEREON				0	x\$145=	0.00	x\$290=	0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					0.00		0.00	

This amount is believed to be correct, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2816. This authorization applies to both filing fees under 37 CFR §1.16 and processing fees (such as extension of time) under 37 CFR §1.17. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is attached.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Sir:

After assigning a serial number to the above-captioned application and before calculating the fee, please undertake the following changes:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.